

Aetna Township Board
Minutes of Meeting Held
June 14, 2017

Approved

Board Members Present: Bruce Carey, Jan Eckert, Barb Cornell, Gary Dubridge & Dee Barringer

Public Present: Nicole Healy, Ray Steinke, Kenn Vredenburg

Meeting called to order by Bruce at 7:00pm. Pledge to flag.

Public Comment:

Dee reported that Renee Yerger had called regarding the township position on Marihuana facilities in the township. After discussion Dee is to write a letter stating that we do not have an official position and will not be enacting an ordinance at this time.

Ray Steinke had nothing new to report from the county. There were questions from board members

1. Who makes the decision when the building code will be enforced or things will be let go?
Ray indicated that responsibility would be for Michelle at B&Z. Discussion then turned to the Amish and the commercial buildings that they operate. Ray said that the Amish did not have to have electric. Kenn indicated he had a letter from the State of Michigan stating that for a commercial building, the Amish did have to have electric. Ray will do follow up.
2. Ray was also asked to follow up with the Health Department regarding 163 N Scott and 157 N Williams. 163 N Scott has trash and varmints creating a health hazard and 157 N Williams has reportedly removed all plumbing etc. from the house.

Minutes: Motion by Barb to approve the minutes of the May meeting with one minor spelling correction.

Supported by Dee. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: 5-31-17

General Account Chemical	\$121,626.46	Tax Account	\$436.78
Savings Acct. Chemical	6,351.08	Brady Lake	\$6,918.58
CD #12 Mercantile	26,826.33		
CD #13 Chemical (Roads)	41,312.18		
Money Market (Roads)	<u>50,112.93</u>		
Total Cash Available	\$246,228.98		

CD # 12 has been closed and moved to Chemical Bank as CD #14.

Jan will be attending a meeting with the Chemical Bank tech people when they complete the changes they are making, so that she will learn more things that she can do within the account.

Pay Bills: Motion by Gary to pay the bills as presented, supported by Barb. Motion carried.

Assessor's Report: discussed zoning problems during opening comments.

Fire Department:

1. Bruce gave Dee the bid from Stratz and she is to send a check so the work can be completed.
2. Dee presented the bills for tire replacement on fire trucks, ½ to be paid by each township.
The board questioned authorization and the choice of tires that were used. Dee gave authorization when the dept had a flat tire during a run and advised Bruce. The tires were purchased through a fireman's regular employer.
3. Dee is to check with Dan regarding changing the coverage recommended by our carrier.

Roads: Bruce presented a job estimate from Me. Co Road Comm. blacktop 200th Ave from Jefferson to 4 Mile road of \$372,048.28. We currently have CD's for roads in the amount of \$91,435.11 and \$90,000 in this year's budget. That represents about ½ of the funds needed so we will put the project on hold for a year.

Hazardous Waste: Motion by Bruce supported by Jan to contribute \$100.00 to The Mecosta Conservation districts 2017 collection. Motion carried.

Dee & Jan presented pictures of a new flag pole that was installed at both Deerfield Church and Amble UMC. The cost the churches about \$800 each because members helped with the labor. Motion by Bruce to pursue getting one for the township. Support by Barb. Voce Vote: 5 yes. Carried.

Next Meeting: July 12, 2017 at 7:00pm.

Adjournment: Bruce declared meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.